

California CASA Programs

2004 Quick Stats



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Report Summary

A recent report by the California Administrative Office of the Courts, "California CASA Programs 2004 Report", describes program data collected in the 2004 Annual Local Program Survey administered by the National CASA Association (NCASAA). These quick stats present data highlights from the report.

Each year NCASAA collects annual data from CASA programs nationwide. The calendar year 2004 data was submitted by programs in January 2005. Thirty-seven of California's 39 CASA programs responded to the survey; the data shown below represents these 37 programs.

Data Highlights

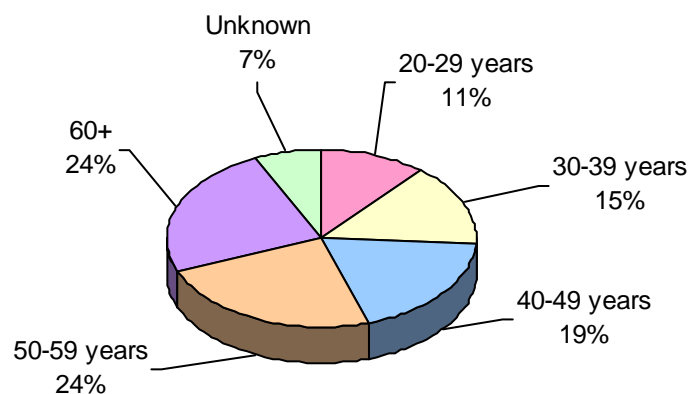
In 2004, California CASA programs served approximately 8,016 children: 4,500 CASA volunteers donated 569,473 hours¹ to advocate for 7,239 of those children and program staff served 777 children.

Demographics

Percentage of volunteers and children by sex in 2004

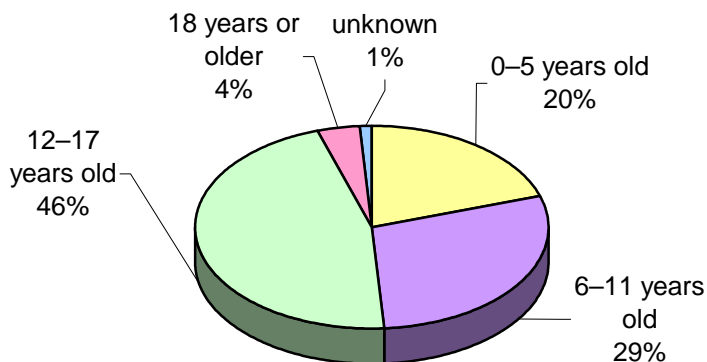
Sex	Volunteers	Children
Female	81%	50%
Male	19%	50%

Ages of volunteers in 2004 (n = 4,500)



¹ Number of volunteer hours should be viewed cautiously since there has been no standardized method thus far for collecting volunteer hours data in California.

Ages of Children Served (n=8,016)



Percentage of all program staff, volunteers, and children served in each racial/ethnic group for 2004

Race/Ethnicity	Staff	Volunteers	Children Served
African American	6%	5%	17%
Asian/Pacific Islander	6%	3%	1%
Caucasian	66%	69%	34%
Latino	17%	8%	31%
Native American	2%	1%	3%
Bi-racial	1%	2%	6%
Other	2%	3%	1%
Unknown	–	9%	7%
Statewide Totals	279	4,500	8,016

Methodology

These Quick Stats summarize data collected by 37 of California's 39 CASA programs as part of National CASA Association's 2004 Annual Survey.

The data in this summary may vary from the data submitted to National CASA; the Judicial Council followed up with counties who submitted erroneous data, or no data, and worked with those counties to make necessary revisions.

Medians are used in this report to reflect most of the data submitted. Medians represent the midpoint in values. Using medians in place of averages eliminates the skewing of data by a small number of programs that might be significantly different from the others.

A detailed methodology can be found in the full report.

This report "California CASA Programs 2004 Report" is available on the CFCC website.
www.courtinfo.ca.gov/programs/cfcc/pdffiles/

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